

Box No. VIII (ii) DECLARATION: ENTITLEMENT TO APPLY FOR AND BE GRANTED A PATENT

The declaration must conform to the standardized wording provided for in Section 212; see Notes to Boxes Nos. VIII, VIII (i) to (v) (in general) and the specific Notes to Box No. VIII (ii). If this Box is not used, this sheet should not be included in the request.

Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to apply for and be granted a patent (Rules 4.17(ii) and 51bis.1(a)(ii)), in a case where the declaration under Rule 4.17(iv) is not appropriate:

IN RELATION TO THE PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION FILED CONCURRENTLY HERewith, ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. IS ENTITLED TO APPLY FOR AND BE GRANTED A PATENT BY VIRTUE OF THE FOLLOWING:

AN ASSIGNMENT FROM THE NAMED INVENTORS SET FORTH IN THIS REQUEST TO ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. DATED OCTOBER 5, 2004.

THIS DECLARATION IS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALL DESIGNATIONS [EXCEPT THE DESIGNATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA].

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Box No. VIII (iii) DECLARATION: ENTITLEMENT TO CLAIM PRIORITY

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Declaration as to the applicant's entitlement, as at the international filing date, to claim the priority of the earlier application specified below, where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application or where the applicant's name has changed since the filing of the earlier application (Rules 4.17(iii) and 51 bis.1(a)(iii)):

IN RELATION TO THE PCT INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION FILED CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH,

ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. IS ENTITLED TO CLAIM PRIORITY OF EARLIER US PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NO. 60/517,274 FILED NOVEMBER 4, 2003 BY VIRTUE OF THE FOLLOWING:

AN ASSIGNMENT FROM THE NAMED INVENTORS SET FORTH IN THIS REQUEST TO ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC. DATED OCTOBER 5, 2004.

THIS DECLARATION IS MADE FOR THE PURPOSES OF ALL DESIGNATIONS.

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Box No. VIII (iv) DECLARATION OF INVENTORSHIP (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)
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**Declaration of Inventorship (Rules 4.17(iv) and 51bis.1(a)(iv))
 for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America:**

I hereby declare that I believe I am the original, first and sole (if only one inventor is listed below) or joint (if more than one inventor is listed below) inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.

This declaration is directed to the international application of which it forms a part (if filing declaration with application).

This declaration is directed to international application (if furnishing declaration pursuant to Rule 26ter).

I hereby declare that my residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified international application, including the claims of said application. I have identified in the request of said application, in compliance with PCT Rule 4.10, any claim to foreign priority, and I have identified below, under the heading "Prior Applications," by application number, country or Member of the World Trade Organization, day, month and year of filing, any application for a patent or inventor's certificate filed in a country other than the United States of America, including any PCT international application designating at least one country other than the United States of America, having a filing date before that of the application on which foreign priority is claimed.

Prior Applications: U. S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NO. 60/517,274 FILED NOVEMBER 4, 2003

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is known by me to be material to patentability as defined by 37 C.F.R. §1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


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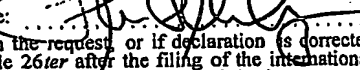
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Box No. VIII(v) DECLARATION NON-PREJUDICIAL DISCLOSURES OR EXCEPTIONS TO LACK OF NOVELTY

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Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty (Rules 4.17(v) and 51 bis.1(a)(v)):

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